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TO AMEMBASSY GUATEMALA IMMEDIATE

INFO AMEMBASSY SAN JOSE

AMEMBASSY MANAGUA

AMEMBASSY SAN SALVADOR

AMEMBASSY TEGUCIGALPA

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, GT

SUBJECT: CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE TO LAUGERUD

1. AFTERNOON OF MARCH 12 GUATEMALAN AMBASSADOR JULIO ASENSIO CALLED ACTING ASSISTANT SECRETARY BOWDLER TO INQUIRE ABOUT RIO MONTT CLAIM THAT HE HAD RECEIVED CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT NIXON. FOLLOWING NEGATIVE RESPONSE FROM BOWDLER, ASENSIO INDICATED THAT GUATEMALAN CONGRESS HAD CERTIFIED LAUGERUD VICTORY AND IMPLIED THAT A CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE TO LAUGERUD WOULD NOW BE IN ORDER. IMPLICATION WAS SUFFICIENTLY OBTUSE NOT TO REQUIRE A RESPONSE.

2. GIVEN CIRCUMSTANCES OF THIS ELECTION AND STILL UNCERTAIN OUTLOOK FOR IMPOSED GOVERNMENT TICKET, AND POSSIBILITY THAT GOG MAY ATTEMPT TO DRAW US INTO MIDDLE OF INTERNAL PROBLEM BY SEEKING USG ENDORSEMENT OF THAT TICKET, DEPARTMENT
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CONCERNED ABOUT ADVISABILITY OF CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE.

REQUEST EMBASSY VIEWS. ALSO KEEP US INFORMED OF MESSAGES
SENT BY OTHER GOVERNMENTS. KISSINGER

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